

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 1, line 7 with the following paragraph:

This application is related to co-pending applications Serial No. 10/669,930 ~~10/____,____ (Attorney Reference No. 03-0838/1496.00329)~~, filed September 24, 2003 and Serial No. 10/682,631 ~~10/____,____ (Attorney Reference No. 03-0839/1496.00330)~~, filed October 9, 2003 which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 11, line 15 with the following paragraph:

The pel search circuit 130 may be operational to determine one or more motion vectors for a current block 129 of the video data. The pel search circuit 130 may perform a variable block size motion estimation at an integer-pel resolution to determine a best partition mode and associated motion vector or motion vectors. The pel search circuit 130 generally searches all integer positions for all block-sizes. Based on integer scores, the pel search circuit 130 may identify the block size that produces the minimum sum of absolute difference score. Additional

details of the pel search circuit 130 may be found in the related applications, Serial No. 10/669,930 ~~10/____,____~~, filed September 24, 2003, and Serial No. 10/682,631 ~~10/____,____~~, filed October 9, 2003, which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.